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TO AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

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SUBJ: USGS SURVEY PROPOSAL

REF : JIDDA 1171

1. USGS AND DEPT SUGGEST PLACING SENIOR ECONOMIC GEOLOGIST, WITH BROAD BACKGROUND MAPPING AND RESOURCE STUDY IN OMAN FOR 2-3 MONTHS BEGINNING EARLY MAY AS START TO USGS PROGRAM IN OMAN. GEOLOGIST WOULD SERVE AS ADVISOR TO TOWNSEND AND MAKKI AND WOULD DO FIELD WORK AS FEASIBLE. HE WOULD ALSO BE ABLE IRON OUT ARRANGEMENTS, ESPECIALLY LOGISTIC, FOR USGS SURVEY IN FALL. IF PHOTOS READY IN TIME, HE COULD COME WITH RAF PHOTOGRAPHY OMAN AND ERTS- A IMAGERY. FIELD EQUIPMENT COULD BE PURCHASED HERE ON OMAN ACCOUNT AND AIR SHIPPED TO MUSCAT.

2. USGS ESTIMATES COST TO GOVT. OF OMAN OF SERVICES GEOLOGIST FOR 2-3 MONTH PERIOD, INCLUDING SALARY, ROUND- TRIP TRAVEL, EXCESS BAGGAGE AND PER DIEM AT UNCLASSIFIED

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APPROXIMATELY \$15,000. THIS WOULD NOT INCLUDE FIELD

EQUIPMENT OR PURCHASE/ HIRE OF 4- WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE FOR
FIELD WORK, WHICH WOULD BE IN JEBEL AHDAR REGION. ARE 4
WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE PURCHASE OR
HIRE IN MUSCAT, AND IF SO WHAT WOULD BE THE COST? USGS

COULD HIRE OR PURCHASE VEHICLE AGAINST LATER REIMBURSEMENT
BY OMAN GOVERNMENT. ALTERNATIVELY, COULD OMAN PROVIDE
GOVT. VEHICLE AND ENGLISH- SPEAKING DRIVER FOR SHORT
(10 DAY - 2 WEEK) FIELD TRIPS?

3. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS ABOVE TO ST, OTHERWISE
QUALIFIED ESCORTS NOT LIKELY TO BE AVAILABLE WHEN NEEDED.

4. ADVISE STATUS DISCUSSIONS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL OF KHABIR.
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